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The Commodore's Column **By Pam Wright**

Greetings SSC Members and Friends,

As we set sail into the new season, our club continues to thrive with camaraderie, dedication, and a shared love for sailing. The recent months have been filled with memorable events, from our annual Lighted Boat Parade to the inspiring Evening of Aloha fundraiser. Let's continue to build on this momentum and make the upcoming season even more remarkable.

In 1966 the members of the Stockton Sailing Club needed a small crane for the boat yard. The membership formed a "Century Club" to allow members to donate one hundred dollars to the club for the crane. It was successful.

Funds to improve the boat yard and build the Club House was accomplished by giving members a Bond, allowing the members to loan money to the club. Some Bonds were paid off annually by lottery. All Bonds were paid off in seven years.

In 1974 the Stockton Sailing Club purchased the entire South Buckley Cove facility and City lease for four hundred thousand dollars. Bonds were issued to the membership to raise one hundred thousand dollars. The remaining amount was loans from two financial institutions. The members were paid back in nine years. The "Mortgage" was completed in 1998.

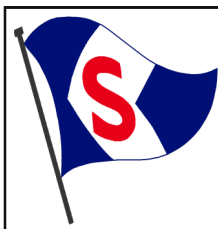
Now the Stockton Sailing Club faces another expensive purchase, a brand-new elevator for the Club House. The cost is possibly forty thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars.

It is probably not necessary to explain the need for an elevator. But here are some of the people who are affected every time they attempt to enter the clubhouse. There are members of age who struggle, members with physical challenges, members with appliances, members with items in their arms, members with very young children, and our staff supplying the Club House. We do have a certificated lift chair located at the rear of the club house. But, it is a backup for emergencies and does not meet the club needs.

Your 2025 Board voted unanimously May 13th to advance the process of issuing "Members' Bonds", allowing the members to loan money to the Club. This is the historic moment. A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors has been called by the Commodore for May 25th. Discussion will be preparing a Special Election to ask the members' permission to offer the Members' Bond". A Ballot will be prepared. The Board is carefully following our Bylaws for such an occasion. This will be a mail-in Ballot. We will need approximately 140 members to return Ballots to meet the Bylaw percentage of our membership.

We respect our members, and we know they are committed to the Stockton Sailing Club and spend many hours here enjoying the club and the site. We are the stewards of the club, and this moment has come to ask +us to keep the club for future sailors as others kept it for us.

Thank you, Commodore Pam Wright



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The 2025 Delta Ditch Run

The 2025 Delta Ditch Run is on Saturday, June 7th! - Less than three weeks away!



Please come on out, support the sailing club, have some fun, and help make the 2025 edition of the Delta Ditch Run a great success! Member volunteers are critical to the success of our club events! Each volunteer will receive a parking permit, as well as the appreciation of the Board of Directors, membership, and participants.

We are using a new, online, app to make it easy to volunteer. Check out the details here: <https://www.stocktonsc.org/volunteer>

Check out the list of jobs below, then, please follow this link, pick an opportunity and fill out the form to sign up online and do your part!
I want to help! Take me to the form now!

Here are some of the positions that we need help with:

- * Food & Bar tickets/wrist bans
- * Bar Backs
- * Kitchen Helpers
- * Clean up
- * Sunday Club House and Bar
- * Dock and Chase Boats
- * Crane Support
- * Parking lot and de-rigging area
- * Front gate
- * Bus check-in AM and PM
- * SSC Finish Platform
- * RYC Start Boat
- * SSC T-shirt booth

Please come out and be part of the action and enjoy some of the best views of the race anywhere.

Also, please remember, on the day of the race, only volunteers will have permits to park on the Club premises.

Earth Day 2025 by Pam Wright

It was cold and it rained. Jokes on us. The Earth doesn't care that we were celebrating the earth at this event. But, Linda Buck, Wally Fort, Richard and myself are hearty folk. The Stocking Sailing Club tent went up and the tables were wiped down and we spread out Lean-to-Sail pamphlets. We put out the Ducky key chains (for children) and the great pictures of our boats on the water. Then we huddled down and shivered. The foot traffic was not as heavy as in past years. Still, there were enough people to keep us company. The Quba we had brought was out on the grass and still attracted children to climb in and go for a ride. (We emptied the water in the boat every so often). What we could have used was a hot drink! But it's Earth Day! It's reduced paper and waste day. Food stuffs and such are very limited at this event. Reminder, bring your own, take the waste home with you. I know Faye Roberts agrees.

But the fun is having young people (and adults) stop by to get a closer look at the pictures of the boats and the kids in the boats. That starts a conversation and viola', we have a sign up for lessons.....or at least a brochure taken with all the information. The four of us are veterans at this event. We know the drill. We enjoyed a few hours and left a little early.

As a matter of fact, as Richard and I were leaving the site last weekend after an Adult-Learn-to-Sail class we were flagged down near the gate by three young people. The gate was open for the class that day and they had driven in. They were looking for the Learn-to Sail class. We explained the class was pre-registered and had just finished. We showed them some pictures we had taken that day of the students out on the boats. They were so

Good News and.....Interesting News! *By Pam Wright*

Picture this. It's a Friday night at the club and you have arrived for dinner. You get your favorite drink at the bar and find a seat among your friends and fellow members. This is a lovely way to begin your weekend in a friendly and comfortable environment.

Does someone need help in the kitchen? Should I go see if I can assist the volunteer who has stepped up to cook this evening? The answer once a month is "No". Your efforts are not needed tonight. There is the once-a-month hired chef in the kitchen. Every member of the Stockton Sailing Club is a guest tonight.

We have connected with a couple, Vita and Christian Briscoe, who would like to cook once a month for the club on a Friday. They are not an easy find. The club has been trying to find someone for over a year now to replace our last chef, Meagan. This couple's specialties are Barbecue and Mexican food. Their first dinner was December 6th and the menu was Tri tip and chicken.

Let's note that they do not do this for free like our club members do. Therefore there is going to be an increase in the amount charged on that one Friday night a month. It is hoped the club members will realize this and be appreciative that a fellow member did not have to be in the kitchen that night.

The cost of the meal will still be way below what you would pay in public for a bar drink and a prepared meal. We charge \$15 a meal for our holiday gatherings, Thanksgiving and Christmas. And those meals are amazing! Admit it... prepared by volunteers. This first presentation from Vita and Christian Briscoe was \$16 a plate. And it was Tri tip and chicken.

It is hoped the club will celebrate this arrangement. Those who have repeatedly prepared meals for the club, out of love and support for the club, will maybe be a bit relieved. And if you enjoy sharing your culinary talents preparing meals for the club you will still have opportunities!

Join us one these "member relieve nights"! For a few dollars more you get the same ambience and fellowship AND your good friend is sitting with you and not working in the kitchen. Thank you.



2025 SOCIAL & CRUISE CALENDAR

JANUARY

9 Social & Cruise meeting
11 Installation of Officers and Awards
19 Cruising Kick Off Party

FEBRUARY

6 Social & Cruise meeting
1 Art Afternoon
8-9 Sweetheart Cruise
9 Superbowl Potluck
15 Crab Feed

MARCH

6 Social & Cruise meeting
7-9 Thespian Cruise to Pittsburg
14 Pi Day

APRIL

6 Social & Cruise meeting
12 Opening Day
26-27 Swine Cruise

MAY

1 Social & Cruise meeting
3 Swap meet
10 Ladies Luncheon
24-26 Memorial Day Cruise

JUNE

5 Social & Cruise meeting
7 Delta Ditch Run
16-21 Benicia Cruise
28 Runabouts on the River

JULY

3 Social & Cruise meeting
4 Fireworks at Mandeville Island

AUGUST

2-9 Bay Cruise
7 Social & Cruise Meeting
9 Hot Summer Nights Car Show

SEPTEMBER

4 Social & Cruise meeting
19 Talk Like a Pirate Day dinner
28-10/13 Coastal Cruise

OCTOBER

16 Social & Cruise Annual Meeting
25 Halloween Party
25 YMCA Trunk or Treat

NOVEMBER

6 Social & Cruise meeting
28-30 Cold Turkey Cruise

DECEMBER

4 Social & Cruise meeting
6 Lighted Boat parade
7 Land Cruise
13 BOD Champagne Pour

The Ladies Luncheon May10, 2025 *by Pam Wright*



The Day was nothing short of wonderful. Thank you, Lori Kruse and Marvin McDougal, for coming forward and putting this together.

The decorations transformed the clubhouse into tropical Hawaii. Each guest was welcomed by a lovely Hawaiian lady and given a beautiful fresh lei to wear. Our club gentlemen were dressed in colorful tropical shirts and ready with a glass of champagne. Hors d' oeuvres were immediately offered. There were at least four different delicious offerings presented on trays by the gentlemen.

The room was full of laughter and conversation. The ladies were also beautiful in their tropical colors. In the background a gentleman played a ukulele. The galley was full of chefs and waiters, plating the perfect lunch. Barbequed chicken breasts, salad, broccoli and carrots, rice, and a bread roll. Dessert was pineapple- upside- down cake, of course. And then, we were entertained. We had Hawaiian dancers who

performed hulas. Lovely. And they wanted to have some of us join them for a lesson and a hula. The evaluation was that we did pretty well. There followed a raffle with great choices. (Jill Humphreys should apologize for winning so many of them.) Coffee and more champagne rounded out the afternoon. It was flawless. Listed below are those that made this come off so smoothly and so successfully.

Barbeque: Pete Roberts and son, Jeff Canepa, Don Brazil

Kitchen: Lori Kruse, Linda Buck, Gary Eggart, Richard Wright, Faye Roberts, Jim Hackman, Tucker Catlin, Shane Wrosen, Ed Montague

Waiters: Abe Ayala, Wally Fort, Bob New, Rick Bledsoe, Jay Bell, Tim Callahan, Shawn Bennet, Brian Price

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Weren't there? Plan on it next year!



More Pics from the Ladies Luncheon *by Mercedes*



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2025 Regatta Events

Long Distance #1	Saturday, March 8
Spring Series #1	Saturday, March 22
Double-Handed #1	Sunday, March 23
Spring Series #2	Saturday, April 5
Spring Series #3	Saturday, April 26
Jack & Jill Race	Sunday, April 27
Spring Series #4	Saturday, May 17
Spring Series #5	Saturday, May 31
Race of Champions	Sunday, June 1
Beer Can Series **	Wednesday, June 4 **
<u>SSC/RYC Delta Ditch Run</u>	Saturday, June 7
SSC South Tower Race	Friday, June 13-15
Single Handed Race	Saturday, June 21
Double Handed #2	Sunday, June 29
Founding Fathers Regatta	Saturday, July 12-13
Long Distance #2	Saturday, July 19
Overnight Race	Saturday, August 2-3
Fall Race #1	Saturday, September 6
Thistle Regatta	Saturday, September 13-14
Fall Race #2	Saturday, October 4
Annual Regatta Meeting	Saturday, October 11
Fall Race #3	Saturday, November 1
Fall Race #4	Saturday, December 6

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SSC 2025 Cruising Calendar

<i>Month</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Cruise Capt.'s</i>	<i>CruiseName</i>	<i>Location</i>
January	19	Sunday 12 noon	Stuart/Kristi	2025 Cruising Kick Off Party	SSC Event Center or The Retreat
February	8-9	Saturday-Sunday	Stuart/Kristi	Sweetheart Cruise	Village West Marina
March	7-9	Friday-Sunday	Richard/Pam Wright	Thespian Cruise	Pittsburg
April	26-27	Saturday-Sunday	Ed/Allyson Montague	TBD	In the delta
May	24-26	Saturday-Monday	Rich/Carolyn Mason	Memorial Day Cruise	Mildred Island
June	16-21	Monday-Saturday	?	Benecia Cruise	Pittsburg, Benecia,
July	4	Friday	Rich/Carolyn Mason	4th of July Cruise/fireworks	Mandeville Island
August	2-10	Sunday-Sunday	Jim Painter and Karen Miller	Bay Cruise	Pittsburg, Benecia, Richmond YC, Oakland YC, South Beach, Benecia=2, Pittsburg, SSC
September and October	Sept 28 To Oct 13	2 weeks	Stuart/Kristi	Coastal Cruise	Half Moon Bay, Santa Cruz, and Monterey
November	28-30	Friday-Sunday	Tim Calahan and Karis Cunnigan	Cold Turkey Cruise	Willowberr Marina?
December	7	Sunday	Linda Buck	Land Cruise	Idol Beer Works (Lodi)

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Crab Feed 2025 *by Pam Wright*



Did you enjoy this year's Crab Feed? Maybe the tasty raviolis and the great salad was just not satisfying? Or maybe the unlimited crab available was not to your liking. WHO ARE YOU?

Of course, you enjoyed the meal! The usual suspects were in charge of the evening and they did a wonderful job! Thank you, Budge Humphreys and Jeff Canepa, Faye and Pete Roberts, Mark Niemeyer and wife and the grandchildren!

Because we have a shortage of Juniors we enlisted some high school students (community service) to serve us the meal. They did a great job. We made sure they all left with a brochure about the club and the Juniors' program. Then there was the Dessert Auction for the Juniors' Program.

Lori Kruse, who was once the Juniors' director, returned from Moss Landing to set up and run the auction. The tables were nicely decorated and the desserts were on display. Club members and guests were generous with their donations and over a thousand dollars was collected. This money allows purchases of Junior boats, parts and maintenance, and events. If you were there and contributed please accept our gratitude. Our crab came from Seafood Express.



Those folks that had already been to crab feeds this season reported our crab was the best they had enjoyed. I'm not surprised. Budge has the experience and the connection to get us the best. If you could not be there with us don't miss next year's crab feed. Being squeezed into the clubhouse with friends and forced fed by eager servers with unlimited food is just too much fun!



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